BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 7475 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler, Arizona 85226 beginning on February 9, 2004 at 10 a.m. and continuing on February 10, 2004 at 10 a.m., or as soon as the matter can be heard, regarding the Application of Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, on behalf of itself and Arizona Public Service Company, Santa Cruz Water and Power Districts Association and Tucson Electric Power Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Palo Verde to Pinal West Project ("Project") in Maricopa and Pinal County, Arizona. The hearing will recess at approximately 5 p.m. on February 9, 2004 and then reconvene at 7 p.m. that evening to allow for public comment at the Mobile Elementary School, 42798 South 99th Avenue, Maricopa, Arizona 85239. Public comment will also be taken at the beginning of each hearing. The Committee may conduct a tour of the route and/or alternate route. The itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearing. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During such tour, the Committee will not discuss or deliberate in any manner concerning the application.

The Application includes a proposed route and alternative routes. The proposed route would originate at the Hassayampa Switchyard located in Section 15, T1S, R6W near the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station and the rural community of Arlington west of Phoenix, Arizona. The proposed alignment would parallel the existing Palo Verde - Kyrene 500kV transmission line south and east from the Hassayampa switchyard to the Gila River, and then

continue east paralleling the Palo Verde - Kyrene transmission line to the Jojoba Substation located in Section 25, T2S, R4W. Proceeding east and south from the Jojoba Substation, the proposed alignment would parallel the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline until intersecting with the existing Westwing - South 345kV transmission line located in Section 7, T5S, R2E. From that point of intersection, the proposed alignment would turn south paralleling the Westwing - South 345kV transmission line terminating at a proposed substation, Pinal West, to be located along the Pinal and Maricopa County line southwest of Maricopa in Section 18, T5S, R2E. The Applicant is requesting a nominal 330 foot ROW within a 2,000 foot corridor. A map generally showing the proposed route and alternatives for the Project is attached.

The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, and the Commission's Tucson Office at 400 West Congress, Suite 218, Tucson, Arizona 85701.

Depending upon the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN. PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceedings. The Committee will take public comment on the Application at the hearing.

Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before the date set for hearing. A person

making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-219. The written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this ____ day of December, 2003.

Laurie A. Woodall Assistant Attorney General Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

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NOTICE AND AGENDA OF MEETING OF THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee and to the general public that the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee will hold a meeting, open to the public on February 9, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 7475 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler, Arizona 85226. The Committee will recess at approximately 5 p.m. on February 9, 2004 and then reconvene at 7 p.m. that evening to allow for public comment at the Mobile Elementary School, 42798 South 99th Avenue, Maricopa, Arizona 85239. The meeting will continue on February 10, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 7475 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler, Arizona 85226. At the meeting, the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee may receive evidence and/or public comment, consider, discuss, deliberate, and/or vote on the items on the agenda. For the convenience of the Committee, the parties and the public, the order of the agenda items may be changed at the discretion of the Chairman.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. In the matter of the application of Salt River Project agricultural improvement and power district on behalf of itself and Arizona Public Service Company, Santa Cruz Water And Power Districts Association and Tucson Electric Power Company in conformance with the requirements of Arizona Revised Statutes § 40-360, et. seq., for a certificate of environmental compatibility authorizing construction of the Palo Verde to Pinal West Project including the construction of two parallel single circuit 500KV transmission lines and a 500/345KV substation in Southwestern Maricopa County, terminating in Pinal County along the Maricopa and Pinal County Line in Central Arizona. Docket No. L00000B-03-0124,
- 3. Public comment on the application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility;
- 4. The Committee may decide to tour the proposed route for the project. This tour, if held, will be photographed, and the photographs will be filed in the Docket for this case as a Committee exhibit. The Committee may travel via passenger van along the alternate and proposed routes, following an itinerary which will be finalized and available at the hearing in this matter. Members of the public may follow the Committee's tour by use of their own private vehicles. The Committee will not conduct discussions or any verbal deliberations during the tour. The Chairman of the Committee will make any procedural decisions concerning stops at different points of interest.
- 5. Hearing on the application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility;
- 6. Discussion of proposed form of decision, form of Certificate of Environmental Compatibility, or amendments thereto;

- 7. Vote and decision concerning form of decision, form of Certificate of Environmental Compatibility or amendments thereto;
- 8. Discussion concerning topics for future work-study sessions, requested presentations by agencies, utilities, private entities.
- 9. Next Meeting Agenda, Date, Location and Time.

DATED this _____ day of February, 2004.

ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

Laurie A. Woodall, Chairman

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Yvonne McFarlin, voice phone number (602) 542-3931, E-Mail ymcfarlin@cc.state.az.us. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation.

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